

COMMAND INFORMATION

Honor Platoon 1098



Pfc. Justin J. Shemanski

Drill Instructor Staff Sgt. Iain Munro, Senior Drill Instructor Staff Sgt. David Miller and Drill Instructor Sgt. Frank Kammer, led Platoon 1098, Charlie Co., 1st. RTBn., to become this week’s Honor Platoon. The platoon achieved an academic average of 99.10, a final drill score of 69.49 and a physical fitness test average of 240.28. The platoon also qualified 86.10 percent of its recruits on the rifle range.

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A fifth significant change is that two of the new MCCS Club Cards double as regular MasterCard® credit cards. With the exception of the program’s Proprietary Card, charges can be made at any location where MasterCard is accepted.

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“Once the transition is complete, I think it’s going to be a great thing for the Marines and their families,” said Morrison. “It’s going to mean less hassle, new privileges and greater flexibility.” Membership dues vary depending on rank. For more information, visit MCCS online at www.mccs.com.

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Who: Free for all military personnel and civilians who work on Parris Island

When: Nov. 1 - April

Where: Permanent Party Sick Call, Branch Medical Clinic

More Info: 228-4237



Depot Church Schedule

Sunday Services		
Catholic	9:30 a.m.	Depot Chapel
Protestant	11 a.m.	Depot Chapel
Protestant (Gospel)	11 a.m.	RMC
Sunday School/Education		
Catholic	11 a.m.	RMC
Protestant	9:30 a.m.	RMC
Daily Mass		
Mon-Fri. Chapel	11:40 a.m.	Depot
Bible Study		
Wednesday	6 p.m.	RMC

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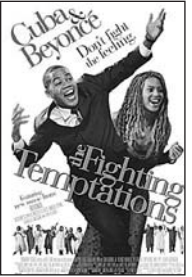
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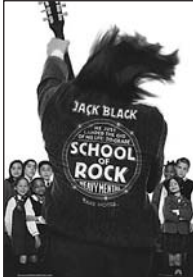
Intolerable Cruelty, PG-13: Fri. 7 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m.



Lost in Translation, R: Fri. 9 p.m., Sun. 7 p.m.



Fighting Temptations, PG-13 Sat., 7 p.m.



School of Rock, PG-13 Sun. 4:30 p.m.

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This Week’s

Graduation Reviewing Officer

Col. John Valentin

Reviewing today’s graduation is Col. John Valentin, the Assistant Chief of Staff, Installation & Logistics. Valentin was born in Rockaway Beach, N.Y., and graduated from La Salle Academy, New York, New York. He graduated from St. Bonaventure University in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps under the Platoon Leaders Class program.

Valentin also holds a Master of Arts degree in International Affairs from Catholic University of America, and a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University (1997). Colonel Valentin’s Professional Military Education includes Amphibious Warfare School (1982), Command and Staff College (1991), and Industrial College of the Armed Forces (1997).

He has held various command and staff positions throughout his career. In January 1976, he was assigned as platoon commander, Hotel Company, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, and later served as Battalion Motor Transport Officer. Subsequent tours included assignment as the Regimental Motor Transport Officer, 9th Marines, 3rd

Marine Division; Commander, 5th Platoon, Platoon Leaders Class (JR) Officer Candidates School; executive and commanding officer of Motor Transport Company, Brigade Service Support Group; and commanding officer, Headquarters and Service Company, 7th Motor Transport Battalion, 1st Force Service Support Group.

In June 1983, he was assigned as operations officer, Marine Amphibious Unit Service Support Group 31 where he completed two consecutive Western Pacific deployments. During August 1985 he was transferred to 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing where he served as operations officer, Wing Transportation Squadron; Operations Officer, Marine Wing Support Squadron 373; and Assistant Operations Officer, Marine Wing Support Group 37. Valentin was subsequently reassigned to Marine Corps Combat Development Center as Operational Test Project Officer — LAV (Air Defense), Marine Corps Operational Test Evaluation Activity.

From June 1991 until July 1993, he was assigned to the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, first as a student and later as a Combat Service

Support instructor and faculty advisor. In July 1993, he assumed command of 7th Motor Transport Battalion and in March 1994 he took command of Combat Service Support Detachment 17, 1st Force Service Support Group.

Upon relinquishing his command in May 1995, he became the operations officer, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, 1st Force Service Support Group. After graduating from Industrial College of the Armed Forces in June 1997, Valentin reported to Headquarters, Allied Forces Southern Europe as Chief, Joint Logistics Branch, Logistics Division.

He was subsequently transferred and reassigned during July 1999 as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, 3rd Force Service Support Group. In June 2000 he assumed command of 3rd Transportation Support Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, Okinawa, Japan.

On Aug. 12, 2002, Valentin assumed the position of the Assistant Chief of Staff, Installation and Logistics, Marine Corps Recruit Depot/Eastern Recruiting Region, Parris Island.

Valentin is married to Lt. Col. Cynthia J. Valentin, the executive officer for H&SBn., and they have two sons.

Honor Graduates

Congratulations to the following Marines who will graduate with honors today:

Charlie Co., 1st RTBn.

Private First Class Benjamin R. Wood, Princewick, W.V., Platoon 1096 honor graduate. He was recruited by Staff Sgt. George M. Johnson and trained by Staff Sgt. Benjamin G. Blanton.

Private First Class Javier Piquero, Mansfield, Pa., Company and Platoon 1097 honor graduate. He was recruited by Sgt. Gary Corey and trained by Staff Sgt. Victor L. Sander.

Private First Class Douglas C. Mangino, New Castle, Pa., Platoon 1098 honor graduate. He was recruited by Sgt. Michael Gillespie and trained by Staff Sgt. David A. Miller.

Private First Class Lee Thomas, Carlisle, Pa., Platoon 1100 honor graduate. He was recruited by Sgt. Elvin Fuerst and trained by Staff Sgt. Willie C. Johnson.

Private First Class Robert B. Hintzen, Fairlawn, N.J., Platoon 1101 honor graduate. He was recruited by Sgt. David Locasta and trained by Staff Sgt. Shawn P. Chabot.

Private First Class Kelly R. Sullivan, Monroe, N.Y., Platoon 1102 honor graduate. He was recruited by Sgt. Theodore Jackson and trained by Staff Sgt. James W. Mackenzie.

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